

AN ACT

relating to certain county and public health district fees.

BE IT ENACTED BY THE LEGISLATURE OF THE STATE OF TEXAS:

SECTION 1. Section 437.012(b), Health and Safety Code, is amended to read as follows:

(b) The ~~[Except as provided by Subsection (f), the]~~ fee charged by a county or public health district for issuing or renewing a permit may not exceed the amount necessary to recover the county's or district's cost under Subsection (d) [\$150].

SECTION 2. Section 437.0123(b), Health and Safety Code, is amended to read as follows:

(b) A county or public health district that requires payment of a fee under Subsection (a) shall set the fee in an amount that does not exceed the amount necessary ~~[allows the county or district]~~ to recover ~~[at least 50 percent of]~~ the annual expenditures by the county or district for:

- (1) reviewing and acting on a permit;
- (2) amending and renewing a permit; ~~[and]~~
- (3) inspecting a facility as provided by this chapter and rules adopted under this chapter; and
- (4) otherwise administering this chapter and rules adopted under this chapter.

SECTION 3. Chapter 437, Health and Safety Code, is amended by adding Section 437.0124 to read as follows:

1       Sec. 437.0124. COUNTY AND PUBLIC HEALTH DISTRICT FEE  
2       SCHEDULE. A county or public health district shall establish a fee  
3       schedule for any fees collected under this chapter and revise the  
4       fee schedule as necessary.

5       SECTION 4. The following laws are repealed:

6               (1) Sections [437.012](#)(g) and (h), Health and Safety  
7       Code; and

8               (2) Section [437.0123](#)(c), Health and Safety Code.

9       SECTION 5. This Act takes effect September 1, 2019.

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President of the Senate

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Speaker of the House

I certify that H.B. No. 2755 was passed by the House on April 16, 2019, by the following vote: Yeas 126, Nays 10, 1 present, not voting.

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Chief Clerk of the House

I certify that H.B. No. 2755 was passed by the Senate on May 19, 2019, by the following vote: Yeas 22, Nays 9.

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Secretary of the Senate

APPROVED: \_\_\_\_\_

Date

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Governor